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## RESEARCH INTERESTS

- Data Mining and Knowledge Discovery
- Business Analytics
- Mobile Recommender Systems

## EDUCATION

<b>Ph.D.</b> Management Science and Information Systems Rutgers Business School, Rutgers University Advisor: Dr. Hui Xiong	2017
<b>M.A.</b> Mathematics State University of New York - Albany, USA	2010
<b>B.S.</b> Computing Mathematics City University of Hong Kong, Hong Kong	2009

## RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

### **A Cost-Effective Mobile Recommender System for Taxi Drivers**

*The 20th ACM SIGKDD Conference on Knowledge Discovery and Data Mining (KDD'14)*

- Developed a cost-effective recommender system for taxi drivers
- Provided an entire driving route instead of recommending a sequence of pick-up points.
- Novel recursive strategy based on a special form of the net profit function

### **Station site optimization in bike sharing systems**

*2015 IEEE International Conference on Data Mining*

- Proposed a bike sharing network optimization approach by considering multiple influential factors.
- Developed a prediction models based on Artificial Neural Networks (ANN) for predicting station demand and balance.
- Built an algorithm based optimization model to choose a set of stations from a large number of candidates in a way such that the station usage is maximized and the number of unbalanced stations is minimized.

### **Unified Point-of-Interest Recommendation with Temporal Interval Assessment**

*The 20th ACM SIGKDD Conference on Knowledge Discovery and Data Mining (KDD'16)*

- Propose a unified recommender system(WWO) to integrate the user interests and their evolving sequential preferences with temporal interval assessment.
- Develop a low-rank graph construction model to estimate the distribution with sparse observations.
- Evaluate the proposed approach using realworld data set from several location-based social networks(LBSNs).

### **Knowledge Graph Embedding with Hierarchical Relation Structure**

*2018 Conference on Empirical Methods in Natural Language Processing*

- Developed a three layer hierarchical relation structure in knowledge graphs.
- Extend KGE models TransE, TransH and DistMult to leverage the hierarchical relation structure information.
- Proposed a model make use of the knowledge triples in KGs and the information from the HRS.

### **Knowledge Graph Embedding with Shared Latent Semantic Units**

*2021 Neural Networks*

- Proposed a general technique that considers latent semantic units in KGE.
- Extend popular KGE models TransE and DistMult with the proposed technique.
- Experiments on popular benchmarks demonstrate the effectiveness of models.

### **Enhancing Recommender System for Taxi Drivers with Business Effective Strategies**

- Developed a recommender system for taxi drivers with virtual stations.
- Provided a dynamic maximum net profit recommendation approach to address the load unbalance problem.

### **Identification of Prominent Building in Real Estate Market with Multi-task Learning Based Regression**

- Build a real estate building recommender by incorporating multiple factors into assessment in a holistic manner.
- Develop a novel multi-task learning based regression model to rank Star Buildings of city regions with different functions.

### **TEACHING EXPERIENCE**

#### **Instructor, Rutgers Business School, NJ, Spring 2012**

- Production and Operation Management (29 623 311 01)
- Overall Rating: **4.19/5.00**
- Teaching Effectiveness Rating: **4.13/5.00**

#### **Instructor, Rutgers Business School, NJ, Summer 2013**

- Science and Technology Summer Camp - Data Analytics and Information Assurance

#### **Instructor, Rutgers Business School, NJ, Spring 2015**

- Computer Network Applications (29 623 375 01)
- Overall Rating: **4.10/5.00**
- Teaching Effectiveness Rating: **4.21/5.00**

#### **Instructor, Rutgers Business School, NJ, Spring 2016**

- Management Information Systems (29 623 220 03)
- Overall Rating: **4.38/5.00**
- Teaching Effectiveness Rating: **4.38/5.00**

#### **Instructor, Rutgers Business School, NJ, Spring 2017**

- Management Information Systems (29 623 220 05)
- Overall Rating: **4.30/5.00**
- Teaching Effectiveness Rating: **4.45/5.00**

**Instructor, Rutgers Business School, NJ, Spring 2018**

- Data Mining (26 198 644 01)
- Overall Rating: **4.67/5.00**
- Teaching Effectiveness Rating: **4.67/5.00**

**Instructor, Rutgers Business School, NJ, Fall 2018**

- Data Mining (26 198 644 01)
- Overall Rating: **4.21/5.00**
- Teaching Effectiveness Rating: **4.25/5.00**

**Instructor, Rutgers Business School, NJ, Fall 2018**

- Management Information Systems (29 623 220 03)
- Overall Rating: **4.33/5.00**
- Teaching Effectiveness Rating: **4.44/5.00**

**Instructor, Rutgers Business School, NJ, Fall 2018**

- Business Data Management (22 198/544 603 30)
- Overall Rating: **4.10/5.00**
- Teaching Effectiveness Rating: **4.30/5.00**

**Instructor, Rutgers Business School, NJ, Fall 2018**

- Business Data Management (22 198/544 603 31)
- Overall Rating: **4.13/5.00**
- Teaching Effectiveness Rating: **4.00/5.00**

**Instructor, Rutgers Business School, NJ, Fall 2019**

- Data Mining (26 198 644 01)
- Overall Rating: **4.24/5.00**
- Teaching Effectiveness Rating: **4.18/5.00**

**Instructor, Rutgers Business School, NJ, Summer 2020**

- Business Research Methods
- Overall Rating: **3.88/5.00**
- Teaching Effectiveness Rating: **4.38/5.00**

**Instructor, Rutgers Business School, NJ, Fall 2020**

- Business Data Management (22 198/544 603 60)
- Overall Rating: **4.12/5.00**
- Teaching Effectiveness Rating: **4.08/5.00**

**Instructor, Rutgers Business School, NJ, Spring 2021**

- Business Data Management (22 198/544 603 40)
- Overall Rating: **4.12/5.00**
- Teaching Effectiveness Rating: **4.08/5.00**

**Instructor, Rutgers Business School, NJ, Fall 2021**

- Business Data Management (22 198/544 603 30)
- Overall Rating: **4.05/5.00**
- Teaching Effectiveness Rating: **4.19/5.00**

### **Instructor, Rutgers Business School, NJ, Fall 2021**

- Data Mining For Business Intelligence (33 136 494 02)
- Overall Rating: **4.00/5.00**
- Teaching Effectiveness Rating: **4.18/5.00**

### **AWARDS AND HONORS**

- **Summer Ph.D Research Assistantship**, Rutgers Business School, 2013
- **Full Mainland Scholarship**, City University of Hong Kong, 2005-2009
- **Dean's list**, City University of Hong Kong, 2005

### **PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE**

#### **Programmer/Internship, Online Services Development Hong Kong Limited, Hong Kong, Summer 2008**

- Worked closely with the client to design Web site for investment company, First Alliance, including the record of transactions, financial reports, and advisory commission.
- Prepared graphs, tables, and analytical data visualization.

#### **Academic Secretary, Student Union of Mathematics Department, Hong Kong, 01/2006-01/2007**

- Assisted students with coursework.
- Forwarded math questions to students weekly.

#### **Financial Secretary, Sports Tournament, College of Science and Engineering, Hong Kong, 02/2006-05/2006**

- Organized team matches, such as football, basketball, volleyball.

### **External Review**

- WSDM: Web Search and Data Mining, 2012
- WWW: World Wide Web Conference, 2013
- WSDM: Web Search and Data Mining, 2014
- TKDE: Transactions on Knowledge Discovery from Data, 2016
- IJCAI: International Joint Conferences on Artificial Intelligence, 2018
- AAAI: National Conference on Artificial Intelligence, 2019
- AAAI: National Conference on Artificial Intelligence, 2020
- AAAI: National Conference on Artificial Intelligence, 2021
- Electronic Commerce Research and Applications, 2021
- TKDE: Transactions on Knowledge Discovery from Data, 2021
- AAAI: National Conference on Artificial Intelligence, 2022

### **ATTENDED CONFERENCES**

- Rutgers-Stevens Workshop on Optimization of Stochastic Systems, 2011
- The 4th Annual Modeling High Frequency Data in Finance Conference, Stevens Institute Technology, July 2012
- Colloquium on Big Data and Mobile Analytics, November 2013
- SIAM International Conference on Data Mining, April 2014
- ACM SIGKDD Conference on Knowledge Discovery and Data Mining, August 2014
- SIAM International Conference on Data Mining, May 2015

## **SKILLS**

- Proficient in SQL, Python, R, Matlab, Tableau; Knowledgeable in C/C++ and C#
- Fluent in English, Chinese and Cantonese
- Excellent interpersonal communication skills